

CHANCELLOR'S Notes



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Hovland to receive 2006 Shils Award

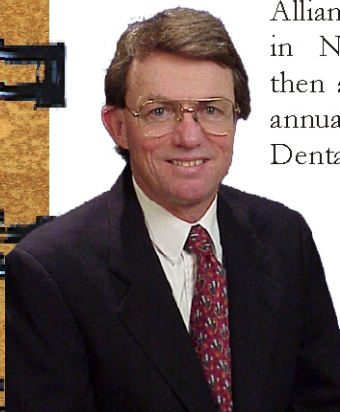
Dr. Eric Hovland, Dean of our School of Dentistry, joins former Surgeon General Dr. David Satcher as recipient of the Shils Award. Given by the Dr. Edward B. Shils Entrepreneurial Education Fund annually to up to four individuals, organizations, or programs that have made significant positive contributions to oral health, Dr. Hovland is being recognized as a 2006 winner for his outstanding commitment and leadership in helping our dental school recover after Katrina.

The Shils Award is given under the direction of the Program Advisory Committee which seeks nominees from all parts of the dental community and specifically recognizes the dental industry, the dental academic community, clinical and organized dentistry, and local community groups.

Dr. Hovland will be honored on July 26th at the Dental Trade

Alliance Meeting in Nevada and then again at the annual American Dental Association Annual Session in Las Vegas in October. Dr. Hovland and

his team raised about \$3 million to fund their recovery effort. ■



Fontham a reviewer of new Surgeon General report on health effects of secondhand smoke

Dr. Elizabeth Fontham, Dean of the School of Public Health, was asked to review the new Surgeon General's report prior to its release on June 27th. The comprehensive scientific report concludes that there is no risk-free level of involuntary exposure to tobacco smoke.



Dr. Fontham did landmark research on nonsmoking women who died from lung cancer and were exposed to others' tobacco smoke. The Environmental Protection Agency cited her work in its designation of secondhand smoke as a Class A carcinogen in 1993. ■

MCLNO clinics update

New mobile clinics will soon be deployed throughout the metropolitan New Orleans area to re-establish MCLNO community-based primary care clinics. Sites for six of the medical clinic trailers have been selected and include uptown, the West Bank, and Jackson Barracks. A seventh trailer has been ordered



that will be placed in Kenner. An RFP is out for site preparation and the jobs should be awarded by the end of the month. It is anticipated that the medical trailer clinics will be operational by September.

A number of other clinics are either open now or soon will be. A primary care clinic is open in the Hutchinson Building. The HIV Clinic, as well as Dermatology and Neurology are open in the Roman Street building. Soon to follow are Cardiology, Orthopaedics, and Oncology also at Roman Street. The

OB Clinic is expected to reopen sometime this month. It has been held up waiting for elevator repairs to be completed and for a hot water heater to be installed. Things are on the move. ■

Bazan to receive ARVO's highest honor

Dr. Nicolas Bazan, Boyd Professor and Director of the Neuroscience Center, has been chosen to receive the Proctor Medal by the Association for Research in Vision and



Ophthalmology. ARVO's highest honor, it is presented annually for outstanding research in the basic or clinical sciences relating to ophthalmology. Dr. Bazan will receive the medal next May. ■